

MONDAY EVENING, MAR. 23, 1896.

A FEW of the Northern manufacturers vainly imagined the profits of a protective tariff great enough to offset the loss they sustain by paying for that part of their raw material they are compalled to buy abroad with scarce gold, instead of with their own plentiful products, and under that impression they recently held a conference with some of the silver U. S. Senators in Washington to promote the union of the silverites and the protectionists. But since then they have learned that they would not only have to pay gold for what they purchase abroad, as they do now, but that should free silver prevail here, they would have to pay two silver dollars for every gold one they sent to foreign countries. That knowledge has alarmed them, and they now say that if there must be either free trade or free silver, they will choose the former every time.

SENATOR CHANDLER reiterates his charge to the effect that the protected manufacturers have had "fat," to the amount of a quarter of a million, already "fried out of them," with which to nominate Governor McKinley for President, How much more would have to be 'fried out" of them, to elect him, he does not say. But he also says that the republican, is the high moral party of the country, and that elections in the North are pure and fair, but that the morality of the South is nothing to speak of, and that elections there are controlled entirely by money, fraud and bulldozing. Mr. Chandler's utterances would be more effective if he were less sectional.

MR. KIER HARDIE, after a long, careful and unprejudiced investigation of the matter, says there is more real poverty in the United States than in Eng-1 nd. His statement is more than pas ing strange, for though poverty is a necestary evil of old, its existence in new countries is abnormal. And besides, England is a free trade country, while protection is the policy of the United States, and those who favor a protective tariff say laborers are the chief ben eficiaries of that tariff. But protectionists say a great many other things than their prayers.

REPRESENTATIVE HARRISON of Ala bama says the South is for gold money and for Carlisle. Mr. Harrison looks through a darkened glass. Some, and probably all, of the rich stock and bond holders, and really wise men of the S u'h may be as he says they are, but how many of them are there, compared to those who are not wise and who own as clean daft on the silver question as the West; but, even if that were not so, its democrats have no use for such socalled democrats as Mr. Carlisle.

THE opponents of the curfew law in Omaha say that law should be applicable to married men, rather than to children. Example is better than precept, and if matured people don't behave themselves, how can it be expected that young ones should do so When the morals and manners of this country were better than they are now, parents stayed home at night and kept their children with them, but it isn't so now. To do so at present would'nt be "up to date."

Just as expected, Spain will refuse to permit any agent sent by this gov ernment to Cuba, to investigate and re port upon the condition of affairs in that island, to go outside of the Spanish lines. The only wonderful thing about the matter is, that anybody should have ever conceived the idea that she would have done otherwise.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mrs. Sallie Hundley died at her home, in Dunnesville, Essex county, on Friday. She was the widow of John T. T. Hundley, and the daughter of Judge Muscoe Garnett. Mrs. Hundley was in the 60th year of her age.

Quarantine Inspector Curtice, of Washington, has notified the Richmond cattlemen and railroads that he will stringently enforce the cattle quarantine order April 1. Efforts to get the city of Manchester out of the infested district have failed. After April 1, \$500 will be the fine on any one bringing cattle across the river on foot.

Ex-Governor Holladay is in a critical condition at his home, in Wicchester. Several days ago this gallant Confederate soldier and ex-governor was paralyzed. It is a total paralysis of the right side, from which hangs that empty sleeve, speaking with mute elo-quence of his soldierly courage. A dispatch from Winchester says ex-Governor Holladay was considered better yesterday. His condition is not considered serious, however, and it is thought he will be out again in a few days.

A dynamite explosion occurred at Ellicot City, Md., on Saturday evening, resulting in the mangling and killing of ex Tax Collector John Clagett. of Howard county, and a colored man employed on the grading work of the Edmondson avenue, Catonsville and Ellicott City electric railroad. The explosion did much damage. It was caused by the careless handling by the colored man of dynamite sticks.

F. W. B. Hobb was found asphyxiated in a room in the Hesse House at St. Joseph, Mo., at an early hour yesterday merning. It is supposed that he thoughtlessly blew out the colored man of dynamite sticks. colored man of dynamite sticks.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

The amendment to the interstate field of national politics. commerce law to compel witnesses to testify to infractions of the law, notwithstanding the constitutional provision protecting persons against the requirement to criminate themselves, by providing that they shall not be prosecuted for any complicity in such violations, was to-day declared by the Supreme Court of the United States to be effective and valid, so that such witne-ses hereaf er must testify or go to jail | gas. for contempt of court.

Senate convened a massive piece of fight. floral work representing-ss near as such a representation could be made State of Kentucky. It was a testimonial | McKinley. from the democratic Senators of the chamber, every one of whom contributed to its cost. The flowers were beau-tiful. The coat of arms consisted of a shield, on which stand the figures of two men with clasped hands, surrounded by the inscription "United We Stand, Divided We Fall." The shield was made of immortelles and white carna- paralysis, Saturday. tions, bordered with la France and pearl roses. Around the whole shield was an immense cluster of American advance of the British-Egyptian forces. beauty roses. On the shield, in order to represent the two male figures, were embedded two dolls appropriately cos-tumed. In addition to this Senator Blackburn received a magnificent horse shoe and a bunch of cut roses, the latter from Mrs. Senator Squire. Not only all his democratic colleagues, but every one of the republican Senators, including even Mr. Chandler, who once had a famous difficulty with him, congratulated Colonel Blackburn warmly upon his game fight, and his victory over hose members of his own party who ried to defeat him.

General Edgar Allan of Virginia was on the floor of the House to-day. He says that Colonel Lamb has seriously impaired Mr. Reed's chances in Vir ginia, and that if he had worked harder for Mr. Reed and less against men n his own party in the State, it would have been better not only for his favorite but for him also. He says one of the delegates at large from Virginia to the national convention will be a colored man, and that he, Allan, will be ustained by the State convention.

It is said at the silverite headquarters nere to-day that not only are the demperats of Virginia for free silver, but that they have been organized that way for more than a month.

Among the executive documents sent to the House to-day was one from the War Department stating that \$1,711,-780 is the estimated cost of a ten foot deep canal through the Dismal Swamp. Representative Jones, of Virginia, said to-day he was sure that the demo crats of his district would declare for free silver, and that he will be greatly surprised if those of all the other districts in the State don't do likewise.

The seed provided for by special act will be ready for distribution by Congressmen to their constituents on and after the 15th proximo.

In the House to-day Mr. Jones, of Virginia, introduced a bill appropriat-\$50,000 for the erection of a monument to President Monroe at Fredericksburg, Virginia, where he spent most of Mr. Monroe was the American Minister to England, France and Spain.

It is reported here that racing will commence at the St. Asaph track on the 1-t proximo; also that the proposed prosecution of the bookmakers at that track is under the immediate direction of Governor O'Ferrall, and that though the race track people want the validity of the law tested at once, the Governor, for some as yet unexplained reason, is delaying that test.

The result of to-day's action of the Senate on the Cuban resolutions will no bonds and stocks? The South his gone | probably be that they will be sent back Conference Committee, and then be delayed indefinitely.

The President to day sent to the Senat the nomination of R. H. Lorg of Alabama to be Consul at Noga'es, Mexico, and that of R. W. Roberts of Maine to be Consul at Cape-

town, Cape Colony.

Chief Justice Fuller announced to day that the U. S. Supreme Court would take a recess from April 2 to April 13; that the call of the docket would be suspended May Sth, rn i that the court would finally adjourn for the t rm on May 25. The announcement of the date of adjournment so far in advance is unusus! Last year the court adjourned June 31.

A VENEZUELA CASE SETTLED .- The so-calle l Urnan incident has been di vorced from the Venezuelan boundary dispute and practically terminated, it is understood, through the good offices of the United States, without the representatives of Great Britain and the South American republic coming into

direct relations regarding the affair. This Uruan incident, so called, had at one time a somewhat threatening as pect but finally developed into comparative insignificance capable of exeedingly tame adjustment.

It is understood that the Uruan demand now simply becomes one for personal damages inflicted upon British property and persons by Venezuelan officials, leaving out of the controvery the question whether the occurence was upon Venezulan territory as being

At Milford on Saturday evening the R., F. and P. southbound mail train from this city, while taking a sidetrack was derailed by a spreading rail. one was burt. Attached to the train was the private car of President Ingalls Chesapeake and Ohio. was detained about four hours, Mr. Ingalls taking the regular mail train to Richmond, which arrived two hours

Mr. Wm. Clark, of Fairfax county, met with a painful accident at Captain Beat ie's farm yesterday evening. had hitched his horse to a post and the animal became frightened. Mr. Clark went to quiet the horse when it made a lunge, drew the post from the ground and turning suddenly struck Mr. Clark on the back of his head with the post,

GREEN GOODS VICTIMS, -John Kersey and Henry Green, colored, from Oxford, Ala... complained to the police in Washington yes terday that they had been swindled by 'green goods' men in New York city out of \$400 The two men met one of the operators, known as Dr. Adams, at Bethlehem, Pa., who took them to 1188 Third avenue, New York, where they received a tin hox which they were assured contained \$3,000 worth of counterfeit money. The box was not opened until Kersey and Green reached Washington, when it was found to contain a \$1 bill and a bundle of green paper. The New York police have been notified. them to 1188 Third avenue, New York, where

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The American Protective Association | WASHINGTON, March 23. has announded its intention to enter the France, says a cable dispatch from St. Petersburg, will have the support of Russia on the Egyptian question.

In Washington on Saturday a nol. pros. was entered in the case of Dr. Edward Leon, charged with malpractice. Antonio Rexach's wife died in his arms in New York yesterday and then he tried to commit suicide by inhaling

Mrs. John Colligan, of Jersey City On the desk of Senator Blackburn last night captured a burglar, who had there stood this morning when the entered her rooms, after a desperate

Friends of all the other republican candidates for the presidential nominawith flowers-the coat of arms of the tion have united to try to defeat Wm.

It is reported in Berlin that Emperor William's approaching visit to Italy is connected with the renewal of the Triple alliance.

Major John Cox Winder, one of the best known railroad men in the South, died at his home in Raleigh, N. C., of The Mahdi, it is learned, has been

making secret preparations to repel the The forces at his disposal number about 300,000 men. The departure of the First battalion of the North Staffordshire regiment from Cairo for the Soudan was made

yesterday the occasion of an enthusiastic demonstration. Fire at Marini Hall, Washington, occupied by the census bureau, did considerable damage to the building early yesterday morning, but only a few papers of value were damaged.

After another sharp discussion in the Italian Chamber of Deputies, the credits bill, for a fund to continue the war in Abyssinia, was passed, and the chamber adjourned until April 28. William Q. Judge, president of the

Cheosophical Society in America and the most conspicuous theophist in this country since the death of Mme. Blavatsky, died of consumption, in New York, on Saturday. Cardinal Satolli, assisted by Bishops

McGovern and Beaven yesterday con-secrated Rev. Dr. Michael J. Hoban as coadjutor bishop of the Scranton diocese, the ceremony being performed in the Scranton cathedral. In a riot between the non-union men

and the striking workmen of the Chandler & Taylor iron works, at Indianapolis, on Saturday, three men were shot and a number of others more or less injured by flying stones. The Madrid Heraldo says: "Spaincould never officially recognize a U.S.

commission of inquiry into Cuben af-fairs. It is impossible that President leveland should have such an idea War between Spain and America would be preferable. A fire broke out at Natrona, Pa. Saturday evening in the works of the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Com-

pany, and for a time threatened the destruction of the entire plant. rough estimate places the loss at \$1,000,000 probably covered by insurance. Senator Chandler in a card repeats his charges that there is a boodle fund to secure the nomination of McKinley for President. He says "the interests

of the republican party demand that the Obio man should not be nominated through the enforced contributions of he manufacturers."

A mob of thirty men obtained Wm. Murphy from the Scott county jail at Huntsville, Tenn., at midnight Saturday night by strategem and hung him, pleading and praying, to a locust tree in the public square not one hundred feet from the jail. The victim was in prison awaiting trial for shooting Bill Bowlin, a miner, at Pioneer, three weeks ago.

At an early hour at Pittsburg yesterday morning fire in the Atlantic refinery caused a loss of \$100,000. The fire tarted from some unknown cause in the warehouse, and before it could be hecked had enveloped the warehouse and spread to the tanks. The burning oil rushed down from the tanks and spread in streams of fire over the tracks of the Allegheny Valley Railroad, blocking the traffic.

On Saturday Bertha McConnell, of Coatesville, Pa., and barely twenty years of age, shot Herry Thompson, a traveling salesman for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, while in a hotel in Lancaster. She boarded an express rain after the shooting and returned to Coatesville, where she attempted to end her life. The double crime is alleged to have been the result of Thompson's deception and betrayal of the

young woman. Both will probably die. The President has issued a comprehensive order extending the civil service to practically the entire Indian service, save those officers above and including that of agent, to which appointments are made by the Presilent, and the few minor positions of a laboring character, like cooks and washerwomen. Indians who show their fitness hereafter are to be allowed appointments to any of these positions though they cannot secure transfer to positions in the classified service outside

METHODIST CONFERENCE.—On next Wednesday morning the 112th session of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the Southern Methodist Church will work, I guess not!" The prisoners debegin in Green Memorial Church, Roanoke Bishop R. K. Hargrove will preside, and about 200 ministers will be n attendance. The conference is divided into nine presiding elders' districts, embracing Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia, and contained at the time of the publication of the last report 125 local preachers, 47,717 white members, and 31 colored members. During the preceding year there had been 1,478 infant baptisms and 1,889 adult baptisms, There were also 74 Epworth leagues, 570 Sunday schools, with 5,164 teachers and 39,872 scholars. The conference also had 619 societies and owned 46 church edifices, valued at \$1,152,070. The number of pastoral charges was 158, having 128 parsonages, valued at

Bishop Hargrove, who will preside, is a native of Tennessee, and practiced law in the courts of that State for some

ing and the names of those who aided have been given him. This informa-tion will be turned over to Common-wealth's attorney J. M. Love, of Fairbeen on for several week was the cause for the meeting yesterday.

CAPTURE OF POSS AND HENRY.

Early Saturday night a telephone

message was received at police headquarters in this city announcing the capture in Washington of Harry Poss and Thomas Henry, who escaped from the Fairfax jail early Thursday morning. Later a dispatch was received by Major Thompson from Governor O'Ferrall, who had been apprised of the fact by Major Moore, of the Washington police, in which the Governor directed the Alexandria police to vie with Sheriff Gordon, of Faiafax, in placing the fugitives back in their old quarters. Officer Atkinson was immediately dispatched to Washington and orders were issued for extra policemen to be at the depot in this city upon the arrival of the prisoners and their escort. The news was circulated throughout the city in a short time, and each train Washington Southern Railway which arrived here from that time un til midnight was surrounded by a large crowd as soon as it drew up in front of the depot. It was determined later to avoid this mass of humanity by taking the prisoners on a train no one would expect to find them aboard. Station Master Robey, at Washington, was in-terviewed and he kindly consented to allow the party to leave on the Chesapeake and Ohio train (the F. F. V. which makes but few stops, with the understanding that it would stop at Pairfax station to allow the party to disembark. Fairfax Courthouse notified of the programme, and at 11:10 the train pulled out and in about twenty minutes time was at the Henry street depot, in this city, while a large crowd was at Fayette street depot anxiously awaiting the arrival of the prisoners. Officer Atkinson left the train at this city and Officer Beach took his place, and the F. F. V. was soon in motion again. About the time the last local train arrived, which was midnight, the crowd at the depot was very By that time Poss and Henry were at the Fairfax jail. Many people were so anxious to see the prisoners that they went to Washington for the purpose of returning on the train with them. Some who had taken the 11:08 train passed the Chesapeake and Ohio train on the way. The story of the cap

ture of the two men is substantially as follows: were captured at about 5 They o'clock, not, however, until after an ex-citing chase, in which Detectives Boyd, Helan, Weedon, Horne, and Lacey were engaged. Saturday information was received at Washington police beadquarters that the men were in hiding at a boarding house kept by Mrs. Brownlee, at 200 Indiana avenue. The five detectives named were detailed to arrest the men. Proceeding to the house they were informed that no such men were in the house. This state ment was emphasized, but the officers preferred to see for themselves. De tectives Boyd and Horne entered the house, while the other three surrounded the building, guarding all the avenues of escape, as they supposed. On the fourth floor Boyd and Horne found a door leading to one of the rooms barred. They rapped, but received no reply, and then proceeded to force an entrance. The room was vacant, much to the officers' surprise, but there was an opening in the ceiling leading to the attic. Boyd endeavored to open the ceiling trap door, when he found that some heavy weight had been placed on top of it. This confirmed the suspicion hat the recent occupants of the room had made for the roof. -With consider ble effort the trap was opened, but there was still another, which opened out on the roof. It, too, was weighted down Boyd lifted this trap, fully expecting, as he said, to receive a blow on top of the head. His trip to the roof was rewarded, for there were the two men The detectives grabbed one of them and made for the other, but he did not propose to be taken so easily. He made a run and jumped across to the elevation above the street is all of sixty feet. Running along the housetops the fugitive came to the roof of Trinity Church. He reached the ground climbing down the lightning rod, but there was Detective Horne, who quickly made him a prisoner. Poss was the man who made the jump while his partner threw up his hands at the first appearance of the officer. After the capture the prisoners were taken to headquarters, where they refused to to respond to the interrogations of the officers. They would not say that they were the men wanted or that they were not. The patrol wagon from the Sixth precinct was called, and the prisoners were taken to police station. They treated the affair very lightly, and sought to make their arrest appear as a joke. The prisoners said they were from Pittsburg. The one calling himself Williams, who was Harry Poss, said he had worked in the roller mills at Pitts

As the train was crossing Long Bridge,

Poss, who was in a very ugly humor,

(somebody having given him a bottle of whisky) swore he would kill Atkin-

son, and raising his manacled hands

made a vicious attempt to strike him. While in a cell in Washington he also

struck an Alexandrian who looked

through the bars at him. Officer Beach, who accompanied the sheriff to Fair-

fax, reports that everything passed off

quietly, but few of the citizens of the village knowing of their coming. They

were placed in their old quarters, and

of the last few days for liberty. Sheriff

Gordon has received information that

the two men had outside aid in escap-

fax, and it is believed the parties will

eemed to be relieved, after the strain

burg, but when closely questioned as to what mills, was puzzled for prompt re-The House to-day passed bills au thorizing the leasing of school lands in Arizona, by prohibiting the cutting of plies. "Oh, the mills down by the river," he said, and this was as near as he could tell. He was stiffened up timber thereon and limiting the number of acres to each lessee, so as to re-move the objections of the President in and could scarcely lift himself from the vetoing a bill on the same lines, and bench in his cell. When asked if it was from the effects of his flying trip by exempting logging trains from the law requiring patent couplers and air over the housetops, he said it was rheumatism that crippled him up. The brakes A resolution was adopted calling on other man was more gilb of tongue. He was quite talkative, but would say no bing about Fairfax. When asked fourth class postmasters receiving the S what he had been working at, he replied: "I never worked a day in my per annum. A resolution reciting that stopped. American flour was discriminated The M life, and I never intend to work. Me against in London by limiting the time nied ever having been to Fairfax Courtwithin which it may be unloaded, and directing an inquiry and report as to house, or that they had escaped from what legislation was necessary to re-move this burden and discrimination jail. Both men look quite pale, and show signs of baying been incarcerated. Evidently they have had some hard against American flour, was referred to knocks since their escape. They are supposed to have arrived in Washington Friday evening. The two prisoners, as stated above, were put on the Chesapeake and Ohio train the ways and means committee.

Several bills pertaining to the Dis trict of Columbia were then taken up and after that the bill to reduce the cases in which the penalty of death may be inflicted came up. It allows juries in trials for crimes committed in the Territories to return qualified verdicts, substituting imprisonment for life for hanging.

"Success is the reward of merit," not of assumption. Popular sppreciation is what tells in the long run. For flfty years, people have been using Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and today it is the blo d purifier most in favor with the public. Ayer's Sarsaparilla cures.

What will do it?

Medical writers claim that the successful remedy for masal catarrh must be non-irritating, easy of application, and ose that will each the remote sores and nicerated surfaces The history of the efforts to treat caturh 's The nistory of that only one remedy has com-pletely met these conditions, and that is Ely'n Cream Balm. This safe and pleasant remedy has mastered catarrh as nothing else has ever be prosecuted. There are all sorts of done, and both physicians and patients free y speculations as to how the prisoners concede this fact,

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS got out of the Fairfax jail, and it is be-

lieved the men passed Thursday night in this city and crossed the river at this city into Maryland. Claims He was Robbed of \$20,000. BALTIMORE, Md., Mar. 23.-H. R. of Drexel, Morgan & Co., the New York bankers, reported last night that he had been robbed of a satchel containing \$20,000 in the containing \$20,000 Kendal, who said he was in the employ taining \$20,000 in securities belonging to that firm while on his way to Balti-Mr. Gallinger presented very numermore on a B. & O. train from Washous petitions and papers from clergyington. Kendal occupied a seat alone, men, medical men and educators, in and said he put his satchel containing favor of setting apart a government the securities on a rack above his head. reservation for the benefit of persons He fell asleep and upon awakening found to his surprise and alarm that

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

SENATE.

suffering from pulmonary diseases in

Mr. Gallenger subsequently intro-

A resolution empowering the com-

mittee on civil service to investigate

civil service law in the government

On motion of Mr. Sherman the con-

Call suggested that the vote

should be taken to-day on the Cuben

Mr. Sherman stated that he was as

would even be glad to have evening

sessions for considering that subject.

He thought that, with warfare going

on in Cuba, the Senate owed it to itself

and to the ordinary sense of humanity

to have the question disposed of with-out delay. He would therefore en-

deavor to hold the latter before the

Mr. Platt remarked that the trouble

was that the three Senators who con-

stituted the conference committee on

the part of the Senate had agreed, with

out very much deliberation, to throw

aside and abandon the resolutions

passed by the Senate, and to recom-mend the passage of the House resolu-

tions. He ventured to say that there

were not five Senators who approved

of the House resolutions. He suggested

that Mr. Sherman should move a dis-

ask a further conference.

agreement on the conference report and

After further colloquy on this point

Mr. Mitchell gave notice that, as to the

Dapont election case, Mr. George de-

sired to address the Senate, but would

not, on account of sickness, be able to

do so before Monday next. He would

not therefore call up that matter before then, except to give an opportunity to

Mr. Chandler to speak upon it.
"Oh," said Mr. Chandler, gaily, "I

will endeavor to slip in between other

matters."
Mr. Palmer then took the floor. He

recalled the anecdote of the man who

ran so fast to get in out of the rain that

he fell, and, when asked why he ran so

fast, said he was afraid the rain would

be over before he got into shelter. The

application of the anecdote was that he

(Mr. Palmer) thought that the matter

might be adjusted, and withdraw from

the Senate before he would have an op-

portunity to make his remarks.

After Mr. Palmer had begun his

speech against the conference report on

the Cuban resolutions, Mr. Sherman

broke in with a notice that he would,

at the conclusion of Mr. Palmer'

speech, ask unanimous consent to have

the conference report disagreed to and

Mr. Palmer argued against the Cuban

a joint resolution was introduced by

grant to the people of Cuba the power

of self-government, and in case the gov-

ernment of Spain shall refuse, to take

possession of the island of Cuba and to

hold it until its inhabitants can insti-

tute such government as they may

forces as may be necessary to support it. He gave notice that he would ac-

dress the Senate to-morrow on that

Mr. Sherman moved to disagree to

the House amendment to the Senate

Cuban resolutions and ask for a further

The necessary preliminary action

Mr. Allen then addressed the Senate,

although Mr. Sherman appealed to him

to withhold his remarks until a new

HOUSE.

conference report was made.

wish to organize; and to raise

joint resolution.

conference.

another conference asked for.

Mr Palmer objected.

(Laughter.)

printing office was agreed to.

appropriation bill.

Senate

dueed such a bill and it was referred.

WASHINGTON, March 23.

the north who might be benefited by a the satchel was gone. New York, Mar. 23.—At the office change of climate to the salubrious atmosphere of the Rocky Mountain reof J. P. Morgan & Co., now the name gion; and he said that he would introof the firm formerly known as Drexel, duce to-day a bill setting apart the Morgan & Co., Mr. J. P. Morgan jr , Fort Stanton military reservation in said that nobody named Kendal is in New Mexico. He spoke in favor of the the employ of the firm, and that Lo proposition—which is under the lead of the American Invalid Aid Society of securities had been lost by them.

Peath from a Bolt of Lightning. GUTHRIE, O. T., Mar. 23. - The Bapist congregation at the town of Grand s building a church with a spire 75 feet high. Saturday afternoon while two and report on the administration of the painters were giving the finishing ouches to the top of the spire, a thunler storm came up, accompanied by lightning. The two painters attempt ference report on the Cuban resolutions ed to lower their scaffolding, when a flash of lightning struck the spire, was taken up; but Mr. Cullom gave notice that, after his colleague, Mr. Palmer, had addressed the Senate he knocking away the scatfolding, eaving the men pinned to the roof, would move to take up the legislative The clothing of the two men de≥d. was ignited and for ten minutes the bodies were seen burning in mid-air. Heav rain extinguished the flames and the remains of the painters were brought from the steeple, charred an alanxious as any one could be to have most unrecognizable. action on the Cuban resolutions. He

The Raines Bill. ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 23 .- Governor Morton this morning signed the Raines iquor tax bill. The bill, which was violently opposed by the liquor interest, is designed to bring about a radical reform of the excise laws. It does away with excise boards in cities and towns and gives the power to grant and revoke licenses to a single board under State control. It is expected that the new law will enormously reduce the number of saloons, will bring clubs under a uniform license system and will protect churches and school houses. It will also aid Sunday enforcement. Free lunches are also prohibited.

Decree of Divorce Granted.

TRENTON, N. J., March 23 .- Charlotte Augusts, wife of J. Coleman Drayton, received her decree of divorce this morning on the ground of desertion. The chancellor in the decree says that it is impossible to escape the conviction that Mr. Drayton's suspicions of his wife's infidelity were not destitute of foundation, but that there is no decision holding that a husband may with impunity be guilty of desertion of his wife merely because of suspicion of her Mrs. Drayton is a sister of infidelity. Mrs. Drayton is a si John Jacob Astor, of New York.

Case Continued.

NEW YORK, March 23 .- Gen. Garcia, he Cuban leader, did not answer to his name this morning in the United States Circuit Court when he was called to plead to the indictment against him for his alleged connection with the alleged Bermuda filibustering expedition. The other men who were indicted with Garcia answered to their names when they were called. The General,s bail was declared forfeited and the trial of the defendants was set down for Monday next.

Debs on the Caurch and Labor.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 23.-Eugene V. Debs spoke in the First Baptist Church of this city last night on the relations of the church to labor. In opening his remarks he spoke of the church as an institution being al most solidly arrayed against labor; that At the close of Mr. Palmer's speech pillars of the church did not have the spirit of the brotherhood of man. He next building. The space between the Mr. Mills directing the President to two buildings is fully six feet and the request the government of Spain to in sympathy with labor whenever it clashed with capital.

Whisky and Carelessness.

BAYFIELD, Wis., March 23 .- An Indian named Biquette yesterday took a quantity of whisky to the residence of Julia Bird, a half-breed, and her daugh-ter, Charlotte. They were having a great carousal when the neighbors dis covered smoke and flames issuing from the building. Efforts were made to rescue the occupants, but without avail, and the entire party, together with an infant child of Charlotte Bird, were ourned to death.

Fourteen Men Killed.

was on the conference report, and it was disagreed to without question or di-Dubois, Pa., March 23.-There was gas explosion at the Berwind-White shaft at the eastern limits of town this norning and fourteen miners were Some of the bodies were mutilated almost beyond recognition. Nearly all the bodies have been found.

Foreign News.

LONDON March 23 - Judge Thomas Hughes, T. S. A., author of "Tom Brown's School Days," died at Bright-on last evening. Judge Hughes was born in 1823.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

A violent shock of earthquake was A resolution was adopted caring the postmaster general for the number of fourth class nestmasters receiving the S o'clock. Houses trembled, dishes various salaries between \$50 and \$999 and windows rattled and clocks were

> The Melbourne police say that fully one thousand convicts, who escaped from the French penal settlement at steady. Noumea, New Caledonia, have reached Sydney and dispersed among the Australian colonies. The government will legislate for their exclusion.

John Spradling, a married man, was found dead at Kokomo, Ind., at 9 o'clock last night at the residence of Mrs. Frank Price with a bullet through his heart. Mrs. Price says he tried to kill her, then killed himself. The woman's clothing was torn off when

Telegrams from Havana tell of more rebel defeats in Cuba. The insurgents burned sixty-five houses at Punta Brava, ten miles west of Havana, Saturday night. The garrison of the town held their position. No definite news of the movements of the rebel leader Gomez has been given out for several days,

The Merrimac mills at Lowell, Mass., closed down its cotton and print works to day for a week, possibly longer. The mills employ 2,600 operatives, and has a weekly pay roll of \$20,000. The Lowell Manufacturing Company's mills will shut down its brussels department mills this week and thereafter will operate it every

Delegates to the republican State convention, whi h will meet in New York to-mor-

row to name delegates at large to the repub lican national convention at at. Louis and als presidential electors, came to that city from up-State all day to-day. It is said that an effort will be made in the convention to-marrow to make a demonstration for McKinley

A daughter of George A. Ward, of Omaha, Neb, swallowed carbolic acid by mistake last night and Mr Ward ran for a doctor. Upon his return hone he dropped dead, Miss Ward will recover. Ward had wealthy re-atives in Washington.

The water in the Missouri river at four Bluffs, lows, has risen four feet in the las forty-eight hours. The ice is breaking an going out. The river is ronning higher our pared with corresponding parieds than for many years.

William Covey, his wife and child wer burned to death last night at P-int creek several miles east of Montgomery, W. The report says that tramps set fire to the house for the purpose of robbery.

Dud'ey Brown and Company, one of the leading tob-eco manufacturing firms of Ma-tin ville, Va, made an assignment 1 to 8 and day night. The liabilities are \$37,000 and assets about \$32,000. The residence of Henry Ryman at Dalto

Pa., was burned last night. An inval daughter aged 30 years, who occupied an u stairs room, was burned to death. A severe shock of earthquake was felt at Calais, Me., at 8 o'clock last night. No dam

P. H. Booth, a prominent citizen of Petersburg, died last night.

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age is reported.

NEW YORK. Mar 23 .- Sugar and tobamonopolized the attention of operators at the Stock Exchange during the first hour of business. At 11 o'clock speculation was quiet.

Wholesale Prices in Alexandria Flour Extra..... Family ... Fancy brands.... Wheat, longberry..... Mixed ...... Yellow ... Oats, mixed ..... Choice Virginia...... Common to middling... Eggs ...... Beef, hind quarters.....

Fore quarters...... Live Chickens (hens)...... Spring do....... Dressed Chickens. per lb... Turkeys, live per lb ...... Veal Caives ... Lambs, spring... Hogs, Small...... Large ..... Potatoes. Va , bush...

Oried Peaches, peeled...

Dried Cherries...... Dried Apples .... Racon, country hams...... Best sugar-cured hams. Butchers' hams...... Breakfast Bacon. Sugar-cured shoulders. Bulk shoulders.....

Dry Salt sides..... Fat backs..... Bellies ...... Smoked shoulders..... Smoked sides.....

Smoked Beef..... Sugars-Brown. Granulated..... Coffees-Rio. ... LaGanyra.....

Java..... Molasses B. S..... New Orleans.... Porto Rico..... Sugar Syrups ..... Herring, Eastern per bbl... Potomac No. 1 Potomac family roe.... Do. half barrel.

Mackerel, small, per bbl.....

No 3 medium..... No. 3 large fat. No. 2...... Plaster, ground, per ton.... Ground in bags..... 500 a Lump..... Timothy .....
Old process Linseed Mesl...
Salt—G. A.....

Turk's Island. 011 s Do. washed ..... mac ...... Hay
Cut do.
Wheat Bran per ton
Brown Middlings.
White Middlings
Cottonseed Meal.

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The market opens quiet while Wheat is weak, but there is no actual desline to note in quotations. The offerings of grain continue light. Country Produce is in fair demand at quotations

BALTIMORE, Mar. 23 .- Flour dull. Wheat dull; No 2 red spot and Mar 72a72. May 6834a69; July 694 asted; southern wheat by sample 76a78; do on grade 72a 75. Corn steady; mixed spot, Mar April 33%, a34; May 34%, a34%; ste m xed 32%, 32%; southern white corn a36. Oats firm; No 2 white Western 2 a27: No 2 mired do 244525. Bye inactive, No 2 43 asket for nearby, and 45s40 for Western. Hay firm; good to choice timothy \$16 00 bid.

CEICAMO, Mar. 23.—Wheat—May 634, 634; July 634, 464. Corn—May 204; July 305; Sept 317g. Oats—May 204; July 204; 203; Sept 205; Pork—May \$9 25a9 274; July \$9 45a9 474; Larl—May \$5 324; July \$5 477g. Ribs—May \$4 974; July \$5 074, 45 10. Wheat opened firm and higher. Corn opened dull and steady.

New York Mar. 23.—Flour—Scale and Western quiet and steady. Wheat—No 2rd advanged 553%c; steady and dull; May 65% a70%. Corn—No 2 dull and steady May a704. Corn—No 2 dull and steady May 35%. Oats—No 2 dull and nominal Western 25a2846; May 24%. Pork steady mess \$9 75a10 25. Lard dull and nominal; steam rendered \$5 50 asked.

CHICAGO CATTLE MARKET. Cattle.—Prices have declined sharply \$3 70a4.10, few selling as high as stockers \$2.65a3.80, and calves Hogs.—Prices were strong and 5c his sales were at \$3 80a3.97½, largely at \$5 and prime light brought \$4a4.10. She Poor to prime sheep \$2.75a4, Texans \$2.75 for common, and \$3.60a3.70 for choice; Westerns \$3.60a4 for choice, and lambs \$3.75 a4.75 for poor to heat 4.75 for poor to best

PHILADELPHIA CATTLE MARKET, Mar 21.

Benf Cattle were in light supply, and market fairly active. The quotations were as follows? Good 48,448c, medium in the common 34,237c per lb. Sheep were active and higher. The quotations were as follows:

Extra 44,244.c, good 33,24c, medium 34,37c, common 24,33c per lb. Lambs 4a5/4c rer lb. Hogs were in fair request and easier; good Westerns at 6a64c per lb; other grades 6a64c per lb; State hogs at 54,255c per lb. Fat cows were in fair request 24,45c per lb. Thin cows sold at \$8.815 per head. Veal calves were moderate at 24,45c per lb. Milec Cows were dull at \$20.440 per head. Dressed Beeves sold at 64,374c per lb fol steers, and 54,364c per lb for cow. PHILADELPHIA CATTLE MARKET, Mar 21.